

INTERNATIONAL MILITARY TRIBUNAL FOR THE FAR EAST

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, et al. }

- AGAINST - }

ARAKI, SADAO, et al.)

A F F I D A V I T

I, YAMAZAKI, Shigeru, make oath and say as follows:

Q What is your name?
A YAMAZAKI, Shigeru.

Q What is your present address?
A No. 3 Ninokamae, Iwateyama-Machi, Miyagi Prefecture.

Q What was your position with the Prisoner of War Control
Bureau in Tokyo?
A I was the Deputy Chief, the ranking number two official.

Q Since when and until what time did you hold that position?
A From January 1942 until the end of February 1943.

Q Sometime in July of 1942 do you recall a meeting of newly
appointed commanders of prisoner of war camps held under
the auspices of the Prisoner of War Control Bureau in
Tokyo?

A Yes.

Q Do you recall any written instructions by Prime Minister
TOJO which were given and discussed at the meeting?
A Yes.

Q What were the written instructions about?
A The written instructions directed the commanders of
prisoner of war camps to use white prisoners of war for
menial labor and work details in order to impress the
people of the localities in which the prisoner of war
camps were located with the superiority of the Japanese
over the white peoples. The idea was to degrade and
humiliate the whites as much as possible.

Q Did you have a copy of the order?
A Yes, it was printed, bore the name of Premier TOJO, and a
copy of it was sent to me. I left it with my successor
when I was transferred.

Q Do you know where the printed order is now?
A Copy of the written order we had in our office I think was
burned with other papers during the conflagration of Tokyo.

Q Do you know where the idea of using white prisoners of war
for this purpose actually originated?
A Yes. It was the idea of General UEMURA, Mikio, the Chief
of the Prisoner of War Control Bureau. He submitted his
idea to Premier Tojo of using white prisoners of war for
menial labor to impress the natives of the occupied areas
what the Japanese can do to the whites.

- Q How do you know it was General UEMURA's idea?
A I know because the General who was my immediate chief told me of it and that he was going to submit his idea to Premier Tojo. General UEMURA envisaged two main objectives for his plan: first, to increase production; second, to lower white prestige in Asia.
- Q Do you know personally of Premier Tojo's reaction to General UEMURA's idea?
A I have not discussed the matter with Premier TOJO but apparently the Premier agreed to it because he signed the order. General UEMURA however told me that he anticipated the order based on his idea would be issued by the Premier.
- Q What was General UEMURA's attitude toward this plan?
A He was proud of it as he had originated it.
- Q What type of work specifically were the white prisoners made to do to carry out General UEMURA's plan most effectively?
A By making them perform heavy labor.
- Q Does that include coolie labor, such as loading and unloading cargoes into and from hulls of ships?
A Yes.
- Q I show to you IPS document #2696; will you state if you are familiar with it?
A I am familiar with the plan to use white prisoners for labor but not with this particular order.
- Q Can you state on what it was based?
A This order was based on the written order issued by Premier TOJO which I have already mentioned.

/s/ Shigeru Yamazaki
YAMAZAKI, Shigeru

Sworn and subscribed to before the undersigned officer by the above-named YAMAZAKI, Shigeru, at the War Ministry Building, Tokyo, Japan, this 7th day of November, 1946.

/s/ Eric W. Fleisher
ERIC W. FLEISHER
2d Lt., A.U.S.A., M.I.

WITNESS: /s/ J. A. Curtis, 2d Lt. M.I.

Date 28/4/6

- 問答一 請證據書類第八四六號
極東國際軍事裁判所
米國側 其他「對」共謀貞夫、其人「供書」
和小崎三介、八宣答言左、通牒進入
貴方姓名何言之？
山崎三介。
貴方現住於何處？
宮城縣岩手町「山前三番地」
東京停屍監督局「山川貴方」記憶何事？
和久長代理、算錢、次席官吏等。
何時何時貴方某地居處？
一九四三年一月、一九四三年二月未遂行。
貴方一九四三年一月、當時東京停屍監督局、主權「行
ハシ」新規三條十、停屍收容科長、會合相手三々スル。
令。 葉脩首相依ニ付、且其命令討議、何文書三條
訓令貴方相出之。 ト
答問二 其文書三條訓令何用？
其文書三條訓令、停屍收容所所在、住民日本人、白
色人種、優越也。即當沙士第、白人停屍、卑賤、
污辱及污辱而使用之種、停屍收容科長、指不之。 ト
其日本人出来年限、是下、且底處、与様考下。 ト
貴方其訓令實持存。 ト

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答 八、其の仰附は東條首相、其の裁定書は、
其の通が和送である。和通が轉往際和後信者=其の
置付未だ。

問 賁方「其の仰附は訓令何處下り知る所なし。

答 我の宣傳室=文書二月訓令一通、東京火災中他音
類共三度未和田マス。

問 賁方「白人停滯目的便後之方宣傳何處出る知
テ居てスか。

答 八、其の停滯監督局長、日本特許官、將軍一考アリ。彼
日本人が白人對事に其事が出来た地域、住民=印第
アム白人停滯自身+行動=使用スルコト=就テ彼方東
條首相=具申シ。

問 賁方「其が止の將軍一考、何處言クト如何言知三居
テス。

答 和直母、上官下の將軍、其事=就テ語、且彼が其考
の東條首相=具申シや下官下の將軍=詔、其事=就テ語
ス。又其の將軍、彼計画ハ六、七日目的の詔セシム即テ才
三、四度増減して為第一、八至細要於白人威信低下
也及不下ス。

問 賁方「止の將軍一考對此事條首相反響、直母ハ三居
テス。

答 和東條首相其事相討議、事ハ下セガ、彼が訓令署名
事處其事ハ下明ニ首相其事、承認シテ、其事ハ、事ハ
將軍ハ彼考基行首相カ命令が在セルハシテ豫想

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三メト語リミシテ。

問此計画ニ對スルカラタ將軍、態度ヘトナシタリ。

答彼ヘ其トサ衆出シテ、其多自慢シテ居リミシテ。

問主のう將軍ノ許可、最も効果的実行スル爲ニ、特ニ如何ナル種類、仕事、又人浮處ガセラシマシカ。

問彼等ニ宣傳ヨセムコトニ依リテシタ。

答其ハ船艤ニ何物ヲ積込ミ又其カラ荷卸スル様十苦力、労働モ含ニテ居リスカ。

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問和ハ貴方ニ檢察ヲ言、貴方ニ六九六年ヲ提メシス。

答貴方ハ其トサ知リテ居トク如何リ述ベテ下サイ。

答和ハ久人浮處ヲ労働、便役スル計画ヲ知リテ居トクスガ、此特別、命令ハ有リセニ。

問貴方ハ其トサ何ニ基イテ居タル事、出来未マスカ。

答此、命令ハ和ハ既ニ説明シテ、東條、首相ニヨリ發セラレタ文書ニミハ命令ニ基イテ居タルシカ。

ヤダキニゲル署名

下記將校面前ニ於テ一九四六年一月七日

日本、東京、陸軍省心ルニ於テ前記ヤダキ、シゲル宣誓シ

署名セリ

米國陸軍情報少尉

エリワード、ライシャー署名

証人陸軍情報少尉

J. A. カーネイズ

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